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PLEASE PASS DR. BRZEZINSKI

FROM AMBASSADOR

E.O. 11652: XGDS-3 TAGS: SCUL, HU, VT

SUBJECT: RETURN OF THE CROWN OF ST. STEPHEN

REF: (A) 284895, (B) 19582 (C) BUDAPEST 4161

1. STRONGLY RECOMMEND THAT VATICAN NOT REPEAT NOT BE APPROACHED IN REGARD TO PUBLIC STATEMENT BY CARDINAL LEKAI, IN VIEW CARDINAL'S COMMITMENT DURING OUR CONVERSATION YESTERDAY EVENING, NOVEMBER 29 (REF BUDAPEST 4161) TO MAKE PUBLIC STATEMENT, I FEEL SUCH AN APPROACH WOULD PROVE EMBARRASSING AND COUNTER PRODUCTIVE. WHEN, IN ACCORDANCE WITH YOUR INSTRUCTIONS (STATE 283144) I QUESTIONED CARDINAL LEKAI ABOUT HIS CONTACTS WITH THE VATICAN IN REGARD TO THE RETURN OF THE CORWN, HE SAID THAT THE VATICAN HAD MADE IT CLEAR THAT THIS WAS A MATTER BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND HUNGARY. THE CARDINAL APPROVED OF THE VATICAN'S ATTITUDE. KAISER

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